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Senate Resolution 615

By: Senators Wiles of the 37th, Hill of the 32nd, Stoner of the 6th and Rogers of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and expressing gratitude to Emily Jennette, the 2007 Georgia Teacher of the
- 2 Year; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Emily Jennette, who is widely recognized throughout this state as the
- 4 personification of excellence in education, has been selected at the 2007 Georgia Teacher of
- 5 the Year; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in addition to capturing this coveted title, she also won numerous prizes,
- 7 including a \$16,000 technology package for her classroom and a year's worth of ice cream
- 8 for her students; and
- 9 WHEREAS, at just 30 years of age, Emily Jennette, who teaches at Sawyer Road Elementary
- 10 School in Marietta, has had a distinguished career devoted to making sure every student in
- her class, ranging from English language learners to the academically gifted, is learning; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in her seven years of teaching she has demonstrated that she is a great
- 13 teacher-leader, inspiring students to be leaders in the learning process and taking personal
- 14 responsibility for motivating and meeting the individual needs of her students; and
- WHEREAS, by starting each school day with the song "Brain Juice," she gets her students
- ready to learn and encourages students to believe in themselves, to pursue every opportunity
- 17 for personal growth, to make a commitment to excellence in every aspect of their lives, and
- to develop a love of learning which will be beneficial to them throughout their lives; and
- 19 WHEREAS, as the Georgia Teacher of the Year, Emily Jennette will serve as an educational
- ambassador for all Georgia public schools, their students, and teachers, taking a one-year
- 21 sabbatical during which she will speak throughout the state, conduct staff development
- 22 activities, serve on state-wide committees, and participate in a number of state-wide
- 23 conferences.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 2 commend the 2007 Georgia Teacher of the Year, Emily Jennette, and express their gratitude
- 3 for the great credit this outstanding educator reflects upon the City of Marietta, her school,
- 4 the school system, and the State of Georgia.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 6 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Emily Jennette.